



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 360

January Session, 2013



***AN ACT CONCERNING EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR PEDIATRIC
AUTOIMMUNE NEUROPSYCHIATRIC DISORDER ASSOCIATED WITH
STREPTOCOCCAL INFECTIONS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2013*) The Department of
2 Public Health shall develop programs to educate the relevant medical
3 community and the general public, and promote research on, pediatric
4 autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorder associated with streptococcal
5 infections. Such programs shall include, but need not be limited to: (1)
6 Review of existing epidemiological studies of pediatric autoimmune
7 neuropsychiatric disorder associated with streptococcal infections
8 within this state; and (2) the establishment of a panel consisting of
9 volunteer experts in the clinical and research communities on the
10 diagnosis, care and treatment of pediatric autoimmune
11 neuropsychiatric disorder associated with streptococcal infections, to
12 (A) assist with the development of practice guidelines for such
13 diagnosis, care and treatment in this state, and (B) develop science-
14 based guidelines for the diagnosis, care and treatment of pediatric
15 autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorder associated with streptococcal
16 infections with the National Institute of Mental Health and the Centers
17 for Disease Control and Prevention.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	New section
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Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In sections 1(1), (2) and (2)(B), the phrase "pediatric neuropsychiatric disorder associated with streptococcal infections" was changed to "pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorder associated with streptococcal infections", for accuracy and internal consistency.

APP *Joint Favorable Subst.*